

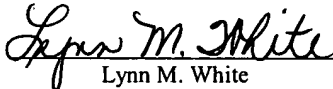


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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 15, 2005, having a period for response set to expire on October 15, 2005. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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